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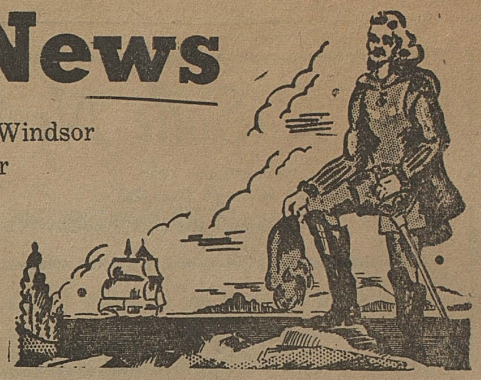

PTA Donates for Books

The Parent teachers' association has donated to the Immaculata and Sacred Heart Schools the sum of $100 to be used for the purchase of library books.

An estimated forty parents decided at the last meeting,, to buy books rather than gymnasium equipment. "Books are the cheapest source of knowledge," said one parent.

Mr. Johnson, school inspector for the area, informed the group that government grants are not available for the purchase of library books because the township population exceeds 25,0000.

The grants are available only to those communities whose population is under the 25,000 mark.

The population of Sandwich West has now passed the 27,000 mark.

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Winners at Drawing

At the monthly drawing of the LaSalle Youth Centre Century Club, held last week, the following were winners:

$50: Grant Berry
$10 each: Ethel Degree, Joe Higgins, Achille Pouget, John Best and Val Robillard.

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Form Cancer Branch

There will be an Open Meeting to form a Branch of the Cancer Society in LaSalle on Thursday, March 8th at 8 p.m. in the basement of Sacred Heart Church in LaSalle.

All are invited to attend.

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Discussion at Parents Meeting

A meeting of the Parents Club of Colonel Bishop School will be held on Tuesday. March 27th at 8 p.m.

There will be a panel discussion with the following participants: Teachers, Principal, School Nurse, and Mr. Judge, School Superintendent.

This will be followed by a question and answer period.

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Do Parents Force Early Marriages?

Disastrous premature marriages are now a great social problem, and many high-school-age youngsters are actually propelled into these situations by their own parents.

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BEWARE OF HEPATITIS

Large scale outbreaks ol viral Hepatitis — inflammation of the liver by a virus — are increasing in Canada. In 1961 the disease struck down a reported 10,894 Canadans, nearly twice as many as in the previous year.

In the past the disease attacked children primarily, but recently adult cases have risen to 60 percent. Viral hepatitis does not often kill, but its symptoms are severe and distressing — splitting headache. nausea, high fever, bone-deep fatigue, devastating depression. Jaundice may develop (skin and eye whites go dirty yellow) but only in the minority of cases.

The illness responds to no known remedy except beed rest and good nutrition. Any exertion speeds cell destruction; complete rest, flat on the back, is essential.

There are two forms of the disease, infectious hepatitis (IH) and serum hepatitis (SH), each apparently caused by a different virus.

The IH virus commonly enters the body by mouth. Serum hepatitis (SH) occurs only when the virus is introduced directly into the blood stream with inadequately sterilized syringes, needlees, etc.; it is more virulent that IH (up to 30 percent fatalities in some oubreaks), and starts more insiduously with little or no fever.

Efforts by researchers to produce a vaccine as an offensive against viral hepatitis have been slow, but commercial and government laboratoriees recently made encouraging announcements on their progress.

Our present best hope for preventing and curbing outbreaks of IH rests on strict observance of standard hygienic principles — washing hands before eating and after toilet use, drying hands with disposable towels. Serum Hepatitis can be reduced by scrupulous sterilization of medical instruments.

— From Reader's Digest

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Canada's Mineral Wealth Inexhaustible

Canadians have uncovered, in the Precambrian Shield, on the richest stores of mineral wealth the free world has ever known. Covering 1,800,000 square miles, the Shield scars the face of Canada from the coast of Labrador west to mid- continent and north to the frozen tundra of the Northwest Territories.

Last year close to 2.5 billion dollar's worth of valuable ore was pried loose from the Shield, maintaining Canada in third place among metal producers of the world.

New cities and settlements dot the country with new railroads and air services reaching out to them. In the heart of the great wilderness that lies between the Atlantic and Hudson Bay here are places, like Schefferville, Que., which were not even on the map ten years ago.

Already Canada leads all nations of the free world in the output of nickel and asbestos, ranks second in uranium, zinc, aluminum, gold, platinum and cadmium, and are at least fifth in producing titanium, copper, lead, cobalt and magnesium.

Discovery of nickel at Sudbury, Ont. awakened Canada to the immense wealth contained in the Shield. The Sudbury mines harbour the richest nickel deposits on earth and have remained the principal source of all Canadian nickel which supplies some 80 percent of the free world's needs. And Thompson, a new city in Manitoba, may outstrip even Sudbury's immense deposits.

The Shield's stock of wealth seems endless: Port Radium, 1,000 miles to the northwest, is the continent's northernmost mine, yielding the uranium that probably powered the first atomic bomb; Ontario's Elliot Lake mines, geologists say, could more than supply the present uranium needs of the whole free world; the Hollinger Consolidated Gold mines in northern Ontario have produced more gold than ever came out of the Klondike; along the length of the Labrador "trough"— an ore-rich belt 50 miles wide and reaching 750 miles north to Hudson Strait — lay more than four billion tons of iron ore (goal for Quebec's north shore by 1965 — 30 million tons a year, more iron than has ever been exported from any nation in any year).

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Around the Edges

By R. F. STEELE

After the heavy snow fall last week the streets in the western suburbs were clear of snow within one day. Even the secondary streets received the attention of the snow-plow and the salting crews.

The Work Department of the county and municipalities deserve a pat on the back for their efforts.

We fared far better than did Windsor. At 3 p.m. Saturday afternoon, the traffic on Tecumseh Road, still fighting the snow drifts . . Not a work crew in sight.

What was this about improved services for the suburbs after annexation.

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Riding the annexation horse again here is a point that is difficult to understand. Mr. Kennedy, chairman of the Ontario Municipal Board, invited a motion from Tecumseh and St. Clair Beach for a dismissal of the city application to annex them.

The motion was presented last Tuesday and Mr. Kennedy said that he would not presume to decide this matter until after the annexation hearings are complete.

He will decide now, whether to stay his dicision or to dismiss the motion.

Mr. Kennedy's action might have been to save the taxpayer some expense but it would appear that he has defeated his purpose.

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Still with the annexation issue,, Mr. Colter, city manager, is reported to have told the Moramun Shrine club, "We cannot now express the good points of annexation".

Well, sir, if not now . . .when?

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The Community Fund campaign is underway. Many people, from all walks of life, will work many hours to make it a huge success and put donated might well pass all expectared one, of course).

If the residents of the area could be assured that they would really be giving once for all, the total amount donated might well pass al expectations.

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The Windsor-Detroit international freedom festival plans to invite the astronauts from the U.S. and Russia to meet here, in Windsor, during the festival. Ideas such as this can do more to ease the cold war that a dozen disarmament parleys.

When people can get together to exchange cultural or technical ideas, war is pushed into the background and becomes more and more remote.

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With the industrial growth of the area retarded as it is, it is pleasant to hear of a company taking an active part in the affairs of its community.

The town of Tecumseh will erect welcome signs along the highway approaches to the town. The Green Giant Company has stepped in and picked up the tab.

Have some more peas.

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The old fashioned one room school with one teacher and 7 or 8 grades are slowly disappearing. One large school is replacing them and offering more for the children at less cost to the parent.

But, as the school serves a larger area the children have a greater distance to travel to class.

A school bus is a necessary factor in this centralization programme. There are already, too many children hurt in traffic accidents without increasing the hazards.

Persons who oppose the school bus must suffer a twinge of conscience whenever they read of an accident involving a child walking home from school.

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The Canadian Chamber of Commerce' campaign to associate socialism with communism in the mind of the public is on dangerous ground.

Without such forms of socialism as the baby bonus or the old age pension or the veteran's pension, etc., many Canadians would have less money to spend in the commercial establishments that support the chamber.

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With so many municipal officials from this area at the good roads convention, we should experience a marked improvement in the condition of the roads in the Windsor Metro area. Even the pot-holes are going to pot.

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A School Bus?

By R. F. STEELE

There is a tendency among the area school boards to close the one room, multi grade schools and establish one large school that can provide better teaching standards and educational facilities.

Such a programe is being put forward by tthe LaSalle Separate School Board and it has many merits

If the proposed building to replace Sacred Heart school is placed next to Immaculata school there will be a saving of class time due to the proximity of the gymnasium. The principal will not have to divide her time between the schools and there would be more effective supervision.

Mr. Runstedler, chairman of the board, has stated there would be considerable savings in administration costs.

Consider too, that the school board owns most of the property at that site. Another location would mean a but . . . there is one more aspect to land.

It would seem that Immaculata site has much to offer . . . and it has, but . . . there si one more aspect to be considered.

The centralization programme will increase the distance that some children must walk. In LaSalle, there are 40 children living 2 miles or more from the school . . yet we have no bus to transport them.

They walk that distance, which is more than enough for most adults through the wet and slush of our winter snows.

There are no sidewalks, for the most, to protect the children from the traffic.

We have a new gymnasium — but no Bus.

There are some parents that are unemployed and cannot afford to dress the child in clothing warm enough for such hikes — while we plan a new grade school building.

The government has a grant programe to offset much of the cost of the bus and its operation.

If this money were to be agumented by the savings in administration cost, the bus would cost little more, if indeed that much.

The savings would be realized at the inconvenience of the outlaying taxpayers, anyway.

The school board and all the ratepayers have a moral obligation to these children. A minority though they may be.

A school that can afford a gym and science room and talk of Kindergarden classes cannot do other than provide proper transportation for the pupils in need of it.

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The practice of dating in pre-teen years is said to be the most significant factor. According to many studies dancing, even kissing and petting, are common-place among 11 and 12 year olds, and in many cases the initial push comes from parents. It is Mother who suggests dancing lessons and evening dances, who buys her young daughter a wardrobe for every occasion, arranges boy-girl parties for her.

By sixth grade the young girl clamours for a brassiere and nylons; by junior high she wants low-cut slinky dreses and high heels. Cosmetics departments report brisk sales of make-up kits for the under 13's.

Parents can help to prevent their daughters from marrying while still in high school by taking these positive steps: take a firm stand against dangerous, early dating; neither permit or encourage a hectic social life for the 11 to 14 year-old; de-emphasize things too sophisticated for a young girl ;discourage imitation of adults and encourage activities appropriate to her age; see that their daughter's home is an attractive, inviting, happy place, and make her feel it's great to be just where she is.

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These benefits will be provided only if the hospital has the required facilities and after these facilities have been authorized for such out-patient use by the local hospital board on the advice of its medical staff.

Here are the details:

- Benefits will cover only the *hospital* charges for medical and surgical treatment procedures which, otherwise, would require the patient to be admitted to hospital. Examples of these procedures are certain minor operations, electro-shock treatments, blood transfusions, etc.
- It is up to the patient's doctor to decide whether the treatment will be given on an in-patient or out-patient basis.
- Visits to established regular clinics in hospital out-patient departments are NOT covered.

Extension of EMERGENCY Out-Patient Benefits

Effective March 1, 1962, when an insured person has received emergency hospital treatment for a fracture within 24 hours of an accident, Ontario Hospital Insurance also will cover subsequent out-patient services for check X-rays and the change or removal of cast, until treatment of the fracture is completed.

Hospital treatment for emergency conditions other than fractures will NOT be covered beyond the first visit to hospital within 24 hours of an accident.

POINTS TO REMEMBER

1. Ontario Hospital Insurance in-patient benefits cover the regular and usual hospital services (use of operating room, X-rays, drugs, laboratory services, etc.) in standard ward accommodation for as many days as such services are *medically necessary.*

2. Dependent children cease to be covered under the parents' certificate when they reach age 19, or marry. They must then register separately at the applicable Single or Family premium. Application forms are available at all hospitals, most banks, and all Commission offices.

3. Married persons must pay the Family premium.

4. There is no change in Ontario Hospital Insurance premiums: they remain at $2.10 a month for a single person and $4.20 a month for a family. More than 6,000,000 Ontario residents (over 95% of the people) are now insured in the plan.

Ontario Hospital Insurance does NOT cover...

- any hospital charges for semi-private or private accommodation.
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